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In re Application of: ) Art Unit: 1646  
TORIGOE et al. ) Examiner: D. Jiang  
Appn. No.: 09/786,130 ) Washington, D.C.  
Filed: March 1, 2001 ) August 7, 2002  
For: INTERLEUKIN 18-BINDING ) Atty. Docket: TORIGOE=4  
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Confirmation No. 8207 )

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 22, 2002,  
primarily in the nature of a requirement for restriction to an  
elected species, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claim 2 with new amended claim 2 as  
follows below. A marked up version of the amended claim to  
show the changes made is attached hereto.

*B1* *Sub C2* 2 (Amended). The interleukin-18-binding protein of  
claim 1, which comprises 4 to 29 contiguous amino acid residues  
in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or 2.